Reply to Office Action of: February 17, 2006

## **Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace Paragraph [0036] with the following amended Paragraph [0036]:

[0036] Processor 32 compares the measured characteristic to a threshold value (54) stored in memory 34. When the measured characteristic surpasses the threshold (56), processor 32 generates a communication that notifies patient 10 of his condition (58). When the measured characteristic does not surpass the threshold (56), processor 32 may continue to monitor the physiological parameters. In some implementations, a measurement will "surpass" a threshold when the measurement is above the threshold, and in other implementations, the measurement will "surpass" a threshold when the measurement is below the threshold.

Please replace Paragraph [0039] with the following amended Paragraph [0039]:

[0039] Moreover, the invention includes embodiments in which IMD 16 is not be dedicated to sensing stomach activity, but performs other functions as well. IMD 16 may include, for example, an implantable drug delivery system such as any of a number of <u>pump systems</u>

SynchroMed pumps such as a SYNCHROMED <u>pump system</u>, manufactured by and commercially available from Medtronic, Inc. (Minneapolis, MN). In such embodiments, IMD 16 may actively administer therapy, such as by dispensing insulin or medication, in addition to generating a communication to patient 10.